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WELFARE SCHEMES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified the problems being faced by the senior citizens ;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the schemes/programmes formulated and enforced for welfare of the senior citizens?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is implementing Scheme for financial assistance to the NGOs under the Plan scheme `Integrated programme for Older Persons` in which financial assistance is provided for maintenance of old age homes, day care centres and mobile medicare units for the welfare of senior citizens.
The National Policy on Older Persons identifies the problems faced by senior citizens as financial security, food and nutrition, shelter, health, protection of life and property etc.